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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 18, 2005**

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Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed October 18, 2005 in the above-referenced patent application finally rejecting claims 1, 3 and 12-15 in Serial No. 10/733,124, for which a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114 is being filed concurrently herewith. This Response is being submitted within the shortened statutory period set for response in the Office Action.

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## **AMENDMENTS**

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows.

**Listing of Claims/Amendments to Claims** begin on page 3 of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this Response.